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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Corrected Application Papers-Filing Date Granted", mailed October 18, 2004, submitted herewith are 15 sheets of Replacement Drawings, (better quality drawings). Also, attached is a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers - Filing Date Granted.

Consideration of the attached is respectfully requested.

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawings must be reasonably free from erasures and must be free from alterations, overwriting, interlineations, folds, and copy marks. See Figure(s) 13.

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